

**Service Committee
October 18, 2010
5:45 PM
Minutes**

Call to order: Mr. Deeds called the meeting to order at 5:46pm.

Roll Call: Present for roll call were Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Turner and Mr. Wynkoop. Also in attendance was Mayor Ebert, Bill Sims (Construction Svcs), Matt Peoples (Public Works), Steve Smith (WWTP), Gary Schmitt (Water), Dick Miller and Shawn Starcher (Streets).

Mr. Wynkoop moved to approve the minutes of the September 20th, 2010 Service Committee Meeting, seconded by Mrs. Turner.

VOTE **AYES:** Mr. Wynkoop, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Turner

NAYS:

Motion carried.

Staff Reports:

Bill Sims – The last phase of the Cherry Landing subdivision is permanently under construction. Town Hall window project is still underway. The workers will finish up with the window work this week. The actual storm windows will be delivered November 12th. We are still working on finding something to match the blue colored glass. It may end up being a film of some type.

Some sanitary improvements for the early part of next year include – force main for Winchester Village lift station, a large sewer line project and some improvements at the influent building at the WWTP. Bid opening for those projects will be Nov. 19th and may come to Council for award the second meeting in December.

Engineering plans for the Gender Rd improvement project at Winchester / Fox Hill Drive are being studied.

Meetings with the utility companies are scheduled for the week of the 25th.

Additional parking area was completed at Walnut Creek Park and capped the existing parking lot with some finer asphalt material. Recycled milling from this summer's street programs was used. New outlet structure was installed at Howe Pond and should help maintain the water level.

Mr. Deeds asked about the doors of Town Hall being painted or stained. He would prefer them to be left wooden and stained. That would require more finishing work and may not weather as well. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Deeds asked for a motion to change the agenda, so the guests could speak before the rest of the staff reports. Mrs. Turner made the motion and Mr. Wynkoop seconded it.

VOTE **AYES:** Mr. Wynkoop, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Turner

NAYS:

Motion carried.

Pended Items:

10-21 Cable Franchise Coverage

- **Scott Neesley, SVP/General Manager and Jaytee Novaria, Construction Manager, WOW! Internet Cable and Phone**
- **Brian Gregory, Insight Cable**

Mr. Deeds stated that the general concept was to see why some areas of the Village that aren't covered. AT&T declined to attend due to proprietary information.

Scott Sheep, WOW! Representative, asked what area is not covered. Mr. Deeds stated that parts of Westchester and some of the area across from the high school; for example, John Anne Circle and streets around it. Maps were brought out to demonstrate the area they are discussing. Mr. Sheep added that there are some areas of Canal that are so rural that they present a difficulty. Most areas are covered by at least one company, but they are looking for some competition and choices in their areas. Discussion ensued.

It was stated that new developments with open trenches are much easier and less expensive than when the utilities have been closed off and they have to go back in and bore in. If there are specific addresses that come up, please pass them along to the companies and they will look into whether they can service them.

Brian Gregory, of Insight Cable, thanked everyone for inviting them. He echoed many of the statements already made. He would be glad to work with any resident that calls and agrees that the developments should contact them while the trenches are still open. Discussion ensued. Both gentlemen left their contact information for committee members.

Matt Peoples – We have a meeting scheduled with residents whose properties back up to Gender Rd to discuss acquiring easements for the Gender Rd. project.

Dick Miller – He thanked members of the Walnut Action Group, CW Rotary Club and the Boy scouts Troop #103 for helping with the tire sweep this weekend. 122 tires were collected. He thanked Bill Sims for the use of his canoe.

Kids from KidsConnect will be planting 400 assorted daffodils at Hanners Park sign on Saturday, October 23rd.

Tree removal is planned for 57 E Columbus Street and 1149 Gender Rd in the beginning of Nov. Fall tree planting will begin in the beginning of November.

Steve Smith – Work lately has been on the WPCLF projects. Wild fluctuations have been coming in on our mercury limits. We have switched to another lab to see if that helped. If it doesn't, sampling will begin to take place. Discussion ensued.

Shawn Starcher – Leaf removal began October 4th and runs through December 3rd. Two crews will be out as well as the street sweeper.

Pool maintenance continues. Keller concrete poured an 18 X 35 pad to replace some unlevel pavers. The fence has been painted.

Gary Schmitt – Hydrant flushing finished on October 5th. During this process, 5 watch valves were discovered missing in the Westchester area. The Sheriff's department has been notified and they were replaced. A broken hydrant watch valve was repaired at 567 Washington Street. The steel bolts had disintegrated.

We passed the EPA Lab Certification Units unannounced survey with flying colors. Shut down procedures are nearly complete at the pool.

Engineer's Report:

Mr. Peoples stated that Mr. Farst had wanted to give his support on the WWTP projects. Gender Rd. 90% plans should be to us by the November 1st.

New Items for Discussion:

10-22 Lithopolis Services Agreement

Mr. Peoples noted a red-lined and clean version of an agreement were in the packet. The flow is currently at 250,000 gallons/day and they are going to go to 500,000 gallons/day contracted capacity. The contract had always said "reserve capacity" and that language has been removed. Debt service, under the 1986 agreement, they would pay capacity fees once they reached a certain amount. Under the new agreement, they pay 100% of the capacity fees for each new connection into the sewer system. The rates have increased for them in this agreement. They are still at 68% of what our residents pay, but we don't have to operate and maintain their collection system. Discussion ensued.

Old/New Business:

- While David Kandel of AT & T declined to meet publicly with the Service Committee, they are willing to meet one on one and discuss their plans which they believe are proprietary. Please let Nanisa know when you are available to meet with them.

Adjournment

Mr. Wynkoop moved to adjourn this meeting of the Service Committee, seconded by Mrs. Turner.

VOTE **AYES:** Mr. Wynkoop, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Turner

NAYS:

Motion carried. Time out 6:37pm